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In sum, the present invention relates to a stent with a discontinuous expandable wall and a continuous covering layer of elastic material surrounding the discontinuous wall. The continuous covering layer of elastic material is adhered to the discontinuous wall so it is intimately united with said discontinuous wall. The continuous covering layer of elastic material may extend at least partly radially within the discontinuous wall of the stent, and may extend around and inside the discontinuous wall of the stent. The continuous covering layer may be adhered to the discontinuous wall by means of a binder, or it may be heat adhered or